

REMARKS

The Office Action dated October 20, 2005 has been received and carefully noted. The above amendments to the claims and the following remarks are submitted as a full and complete response to the Office Action.

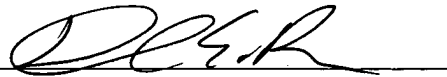
Claim 105 is cancelled without prejudice. Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication that claims 66-103 and 106 are allowed. Applicants respectfully submit that because the lone rejection is rendered moot in light of the cancellation of the rejected claim 105 that the application is now in condition for allowance.

The Office Action rejected claim 105 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by US Patent No. 5,809,019 to Ichihara et al. (Ichihara). Applicants respectfully submit that the rejection of claim 105 is moot in light of the cancellation of claim 105.

If for any reason the Examiner determines that the application is not now in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact, by telephone, the applicants' undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this application.

In the event this paper is not being timely filed, the applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension together with any additional fees may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account 50-2222.

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